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Executive Council

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Friends,

On Wednesday, the Governor & Council OK'd the plan for new, hugely improved Welcome Centers on I-93 in Hooksett (see below for details), confirmed the appointment of Labor Commissioner Jim Craig, and much more.

We tackled a number of issues with both specific regional importance in the district I represent, and some with statewide impact:

- (1) Projects impacting Merrimack Co & Central NH: Gave the green light to replace & expand the Hooksett, NH Welcome Centers with Common Man restaurants, double-sized liquor stores, coffee shops, convenience stores, 20 gas pumps, and information featuring NH attractions (all on each side of I-93!). New facilities will open from late next year to early 2015, and will employ 137 full time positions plus construction jobs and bring in a minimum of \$22MM in revenue (but a projected \$38 MM) to the state. Also, we passed family planning funding for Concord; support for the Central NH Regional Planning Commission; invasive plant control in Hopkinton; and homeless support, drug & alcohol services, and public health emergency preparedness programs.
- **(2) Projects impacting the Monadnock Region:** Grudgingly agreed to extend the deadline for a broadband network based in Rindge, NH, approved drug & alcohol services and public health emergency preparedness programs in both Sullivan & Cheshire Counties, and OK'd exotic plant control in Winchester, NH.
- (3) Projects impacting Strafford & Belknap Co: Delayed a vote on drug & alcohol services and public health emergency preparedness programs with the Goodwin Health Center until the next Council meeting on 7/10, in order to help facilitate communication with local officials; OK'd family planning support at Goodwin, homeless programs with Community Partners, public youth day programming in Rochester & Dover, NH, and support for Strafford Regional Planning Commission.
- **(4) Other projects & policies with statewide impact:** We authorized more competitive coverage rates for Medicaid Managed Care, and heard from state officials about the damage it would do to our state budget, health care providers, and citizens' health if the Legislature doesn't accept federal funds to expand Medicaid in our state; also approved various family planning contracts covering roughly half the state and heard the state's plan to extend similar contract to the other half of the state, which is currently covered only by federal support.

Full details on all these items are included below, as well as all positions nominated & confirmed.

The next meeting is on July 10. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to let me know (and if you prefer not to receive these updates, just drop me an email and let me know and I'll remove you from this list).

Sincerely, Colin Executive Councilor, District 2

FULL 6/19 AGENDA: http://l.usa.gov/19EyRsM

(or follow the links below for documentation of each item)

The Council:

1. DETAIL: CENTRAL NH PROJECTS

Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes, NH Liquor Commission, and NH Department of Resources and Economic Development to enter into a 35-year ground lease contract with Granite State Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Common Man Hooksett, Meredith, NH, in order to -re-develop the northbound and southbound Rest Areas in the Town of Hooksett to full service welcome centers with concession sales, fuel sales, visitor centers, and two new state Liquor and Wine Outlet Stores for a minimum guaranteed rent of \$23,236,301 over the 25year term with tiered rent payments based on the sale of gasoline and tiered percentage rent based on gross concession sales. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2048, with the option to renew for up to two 5-year options at the sole discretion of the State. (2) Further authorized to pay Granite State Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Common Man Hooksett and the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Public Works in the amount not to exceed \$8,400,000 for the construction of two new state liquor and wine outlet stores that will be co-joined with the new full service northbound and southbound welcome centers in the Town of Hooksett. Up to \$250,000 will be deducted from the construction fund to pay for inspection services to be performed by the Bureau of Public Works (Requested Action No. 3). 100% Liquor Funds. (3) Further authorized to pay for inspection services payable to be conducted by the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Public Works, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000. The funds for inspection services will be deducted from the cost of construction payable to Granite State Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Common Man Hooksett (Requested Action No.2). Any unused portion of the inspection services fees are to be dedicated to fund the construction of the new state liquor and wine outlet stores. 100% Liquor Funds. (4) Further authorized DOT to pay for inspection services of the northbound and southbound welcome centers to be conducted by the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Public Works in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. 100% Turnpike Funds.

<u>Authorized</u> the Bureau of Population Health and Community Services, Maternal and Child Health Section to enter into agreements with the vendors as detailed

in letter dated May 20, 2013, to provide family planning services, for an amount not to exceed \$2,196,074. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **68.56% Federal, 31.44% General Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to enter into a **sole source** contract with Central NH Regional Planning Commission, Concord, NH, as part of the Targeted Block Grant Program for planning assistance and training to municipalities on local, municipal and regional planning issues, in the amount of \$10,714. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% General Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> the Division of Pesticide Control to enter into a grant agreement with Merrimack County Conservation District, for the Control of Invasive Plants on Hopkinton Town Land, in the amount of \$7,750. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2013. **100% Other Funds – Integrated Pest Management Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to enter into an agreement with Community Services Council of NH Inc., Pembroke, NH, to provide services to homeless individuals, in an amount not to exceed \$118,027. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control and Division of Community Based Care Services, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services to enter into an agreement with Granite United Way, Concord, NH, to improve regional public health emergency preparedness and substance misuse prevention and related health promotion capacity, and implement school-based influenza clinics, in an amount not to exceed \$321,138. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **93.21% Federal, 6.79% General Funds.**

2. DETAIL: MONADNOCK PROJECTS

<u>Authorized</u> to amend a grant agreement with the Town of Rindge, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7-13-11, item #3, in the amount of \$100,000), to allow for finalization of the southwest area broadband network, by extending the completion date to June 30, 2014 from June 30, 2013. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control and Division of Community Based Care Services, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services to enter into an agreement with the County of Sullivan, Newport, NH, to improve regional public health emergency preparedness and substance misuse prevention and related health promotion capacity, and implement school-based influenza clinics, in an amount not to exceed \$302,010. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **92.68% Federal, 7.32% General Funds.** And, authorized the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control and Division of Community Based Care Services, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services to enter into an agreement with the County of Cheshire, Keene, NH, to improve regional public health emergency preparedness and substance misuse

prevention and related health promotion capacity, and implement school-based influenza clinics, in an amount not to exceed \$320,236. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **86.27%** Federal, 5.61% General, 8.12% Other Funds.

Authorize to enter into grant agreement with the Town of Winchester, in the amount of \$4,598. **100% Lake Restoration Funds.**

3. DETAIL: STRAFFORD/BELKNAP PROJECTS

<u>Tabled</u> the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control and Division of Community Based Care Services, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services to enter into an agreement with Goodwin Community Health, Somersworth, NH, to improve regional public health emergency preparedness and substance misuse prevention and related health promotion capacity, and implement school-based influenza clinics, in an amount not to exceed \$334,092. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **91.42% Federal**, **4.39% General**, **4.19% Other Funds**.

<u>Authorized</u> the Bureau of Population Health and Community Services, Maternal and Child Health Section to enter into agreements with the vendors as detailed in letter dated May 20, 2013, to provide family planning services, for an amount not to exceed \$2,196,074. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **68.56% Federal, 31.44% General Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to enter into an agreement with Community Partners of Strafford County to provide services to homeless individuals, in an amount not to exceed \$41,746. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to award a **sole source** agreement to the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, Rochester, NH, to provide planning technical assistance to member coastal communities, in the amount of \$13,300. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to grant funds to the Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council, Rochester, NH, to offer extended day programming for youth and their families, in an amount not to exceed \$284,025. (2) Further authorized unencumbered payment with internal accounting control. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to grant funds to the Dover Housing Authority, Dover, NH, to offer extended day programming for youth and their families, in an amount not to exceed \$118,075.11. (2) Further authorized unencumbered payment with internal accounting control. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to exercise a renewal option to grant funds to the Rochester Housing Authority, Rochester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6-17-09, item #263),

to offer extended day programming for youth and their families, in an amount not to exceed \$102,062.55. (2) Further authorized unencumbered payment with internal accounting control. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

<u>Authorized</u> to enter into a **sole source** contract with Strafford Regional Planning Commission, Dover, NH, as part of the Targeted Block Grant Program for planning assistance and training to municipalities on local, municipal and regional planning issues, in the amount of \$11,438. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. **100% General Funds.**

4. DETAIL: OTHER PROJECTS & POLICIES

Authorized to amend existing individual agreements with Granite State Health Plan, d/b/a NH Healthy Families, Bedford, NH; Boston Medical Center HealthNet Plan, d/b/a Well Sense Health Plan, Boston, MA; and Granite Care – Meridian Health Plan of NH, Manchester, NH, to provide Medicaid Managed Care medical and long-term care services to Medicaid clients by adjusting rates to reflect the annual actuarially certified rate structure. Effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. No Additional Funding.

<u>Authorized</u> the Bureau of Population Health and Community Services, Maternal and Child Health Section to enter into agreements with the vendors as detailed in letter dated May 20, 2013, to provide family planning services, for an amount not to exceed \$2,196,074. Effective July 1, 2013 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2015. **68.56% Federal, 31.44% General Funds.**

5. DETAIL: APPOINTMENTS & NOMINATIONS:

(* = District 2 Resident)

Nominated:

Board of Acupuncture Licensing: William J. Halacy, Concord, NH* **Deferred Compensation Commission:** Kevin P. O'Brien, Concord, NH*

Adult Parole Board: Leslie Mendenhall, Nashua, NH

Board of Dental Examiners: Charles E. Albee, Pembroke, NH, Stacy A.

Plourde, Hooksett, NH

Health and Education Facilities Authority: Jill A. Duncan, Meredith, NH

NH Housing Finance Authority: Amy L. Lockwood, Deerfield, NH

Board of Mental Health Practice: Dayl H. Hufford, Salem, NH

Municipal Bond Bank: Mark F. Decoteau, Waterville Valley, NH

Public Water Access Advisory Board: Gene H. Porter, Nashua, NH

Board of Veterinary Medicine: David B. Stowe, Gilford, NH

Confirmed:

Commissioner of the Department of Labor: James W. Craig, Manchester, NH Community College System Board of Trustees: Claudette L. Mahar, David C. Paquette & Angela M. Roussel-Roberge, Mont Vernon, NH

Higher Education Commission: Roger Williams, Greenfield; Eli Rivera, Keene, NH*

Judicial Council: Steven David Lubrano, Hanover, NH

Board of Psychologists:

Steven C. Atkins, Hanover, NH Sarah Avery-Leaf, Durham, NH* Anna Elbroch, Exeter, NH David B. Goldstein, Auburn, NH Polly Hall, Durham, NH* Roger L. Peterson, Spofford, NH* Vincent N. Scalese, Thornton, NH

Public Employee Labor Relations Board: Michele E. Kenney, Portsmouth, NH Board of Managers of the New Hampshire Veterans' Home: Richard L. Murphy, Merrimack, NH

Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors: Scott McGilvray, Hooksett, NH

The next scheduled Governor and Executive Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in Peterborough, NH.

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